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## **ADE Announces New Data Privacy Section on Website**

**LITTLE ROCK** — The Arkansas Department of Education is pleased to announce the addition of a new data privacy section on the department's website.

Access to quality data allows teachers to tailor their instruction to meet individual student's needs. Principals and superintendents use data to determine how to best allocate educational resources, and with data, parents can better understand their child's academic progress.

"ADE is committed to ensuring the privacy of all data entrusted to us," said Holly Glover, the ADE director of data use and privacy. "The new website and training modules are designed to increase transparency, provide resources for parents, districts, and other stakeholders, and promote effective data use at all levels."

An overview video about how student data is used can be found on the data privacy webpage. The short video highlights the difference between personally identifiable information, de-identified data and aggregate data that is used when making school and district decisions.

The data privacy section also includes three main subsections:

- The State and Federal Laws section provides links to laws that protect student data. The laws listed help ensure data is protected while providing information that can be used to promote educational excellence.
- The Resources for Parents section includes links regarding data protection for students, such as information about the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and the Children's Online Privacy and Protection Act.
- The Data Privacy for Districts section includes a video about how districts can develop a privacy program, a training module districts can use to promote data privacy at the district level, and additional helpful resources and websites.

To access the new data privacy section, go to <http://www.arkansased.gov/divisions/research-and->

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